TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2410 - SB 2562

January 26, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a violation of the Consumer Protection Act and a Class A misdemeanor offense, subject to a fine only, for a financial institution to withhold the disbursement of funds received from an insurance company for repairs to a residence of a debtor, if such funds are made payable to both the financial institution and the debtor and if the difference between the estimated damage and a contractor's estimated cost is less than 10 percent, or if additional funds are being withheld based on satisfactory progress of repairs.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The Department of Financial Institutions will ensure compliance with the provisions of this bill during regular examinations of financial institutions regulated by the Department.
- Any regulatory or fiscal impact on the Department will be not significant and can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion
- A small increase in cases in the court system, which will result in additional state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and additional state and local government revenue from fees, taxes and costs collected. These expenditures and revenue are estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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